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SUBJECT: (U) ZHANG WENJIN VISIT

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2. THE PROGRAM FOR THE VISIT OF VICE FOREIGN MINISTER ZHANG WENJIN TO HONOLULU, WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK LOOKS TO BE NEARLY SET. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH AMERICAN AND OCEANIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT DEPUTY DIRECTOR JI CHAOZHU SINCE RECEIPT OF REFTEL, FOLLOWING ASPECTS OF TRIP HAVE BEEN REVIEWED

3. AIRLINE RESERVATIONS. MFA HAS CANCELLED PREVIOUS RESERVATIONS MADE ON UA 50 FROM HONOLULU TO WASHINGTON AND GROUP WILL TAKE NW 56. ALL MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION WILL BE TICKETED IN BEIJING. ZHANG WILL TRAVEL FIRST CLASS AND THE OTHERS BY COACH. THE GROUP WILL ARRIVE IN HONOLULU ON NW 10, 9:00 A.M., MARCH 13.

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4. COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS THANG HAS ACCEPTED

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WINSTON LORD'S LUNCHEON INVITATION FOR MARCH 21. HE HAS AGREED TO SPEAK TO THE COUNCIL ON SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS. HE WOULD PREFER THAT HIS SPEECH AND DISCUSSION BOTH BE OFF THE RECORD. JI IS WORKING ON HIM TO SPEAK IN ENGLISH, BUT IF ZHANG GETS COLD FEET, JI WILL TRANSLATE. JI SAID THAT ZHANG IS HOSTING A DINNER HIMSELF MARCH 22 (AMBASSADOR MCHINERY WILL BE INVITED) AND WOULD BE UNABLE TO MEET AGAIN WITH LORD. PRCM/UN WILL BE IN TOUCH ON THIS AND OTHER MATTERS WITH MS. OSMER.

5. NEW YORK TIMES. JI DOUBTED THERE WOULD BE SUFFICIENT TIME TO MEET WITH MEMBERS OF THE NYT EDITORIAL BOARD. ZHANG HAS ACCEPTED TOPPING'S DINNER INVITATION FOR MARCH 20, HOPEFULLY NOT IN SCARSDALE.

6. WALDHEIM. PRCM/UN WILL HANDLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CALL ON SD WALDHEIM ON MARCH 21.

7. SEEING NEW YORK. ZHANG AND HIS COLEAGUES WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER AND THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART IN THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 21. USUN MAY WISH TO ASSIST PRCM/UN IN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS.

8. OSGOOD. ZHANG WOULD LIKE TO MEET HENRY KISSINGER IF HE IS IN TOWN. PRCM/UN WILL ARRANGE.

9. CULTURE. ZHANG WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE MARCH 22 MORNING FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH PRCM/UN. IN THE EVENING HIS DELEGATION PLUS MRS. JI CHAOZHU WOULD LIKE TO GO TO A "TYPICALLY AMERICAN CULTURAL PERFORMANCE." LOOKING OVER A SOMEWHAT STALE NEW YORKER
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MAGAINZE, THE EMBASSY NOTES REVIVALS OF OKLAHOMA AND WEST SIDE STORY, EITHER OF WHICH MIGHT BE SUITABLE. JUDGING BY THE REVIEWS, EMBASSY WOULD SUGGEST OKLAHOMA AND REQUESTS USUN ASSIST PRCM/UN IN PROCURING FIVE TICKETS, IF AVAILABLE.

10. JI'S TRAVEL. JI SAID THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO REMAIN IN WASHINGTON AFTER THE REST OF THE DELEGATION HAD LEFT FOR NEW YORK ON MARCH 20 BY CAR. HE WOULD LEAVE LATER THE SAME DAY AFTER WHATEVER

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CONSULTATION DEPARTMENT WISHED TO ARRANGE IN TIME TO ARRIVE IN NEW YORK FOR DOPPING'S DINNER. JI SAID THAT FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM IN NEW YORK, HE MIGHT TRAVEL SEPARATELY WITH HIS WIFE TO LOS ANGELES ON MARCH 23 FOR A SHORT VISIT TO SEE MRS. JI'S FATHER.

11. HONOLULU. JI SAID THAT THE HONOLULU PROGRAM LOOKED VERY INTERESTING AND THEY WERE GRATEFUL TO ADMIRAL LONG FOR ARRANGING IT. JI SAID THAT HE WOULD NOT BE TAKING HIS TENNIS RACKET, BUT VICE MINISTER ZHANG IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC SWIMMER AND THE GROUP HOPES THERE WILL BE TIME TO VISIT THE MAKALAPA POOL.

12. WASHINGTON. JI SAID THAT THE ADDITIONS TO THE WASHINGTON PROGRAM WERE ENTIRELY AGREEABLE TO ZHANG. HE NOTED THAT AMBASSADOR CHAI WOULD BE HOLDING A RECEPTION FOR THE GROUP MARCH 19.
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